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1. A compound of general formula I

wherein

 R_1 is halogen, hydroxy, mercapto, trifluoromethyl, amino, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{2-4} alkenyl, C_{2-4} alkynyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, C_{1-4} alkylthio, C_{1-6} alkylamino, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl, cyano, - CONH₂ or nitro;

 R_2 is hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, mercapto, trifluoromethyl, amino, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{2-4} alkenyl, C_{2-4} alkynyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, C_{1-4} alkylthio, C_{1-6} alkylamino, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl, cyano, -CONH₂, phenyl or nitro;

 R_3 represents one or more, same or different substituents selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, mercapto, trifluoromethyl, cyano, carboxy, CONH₂, nitro, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₂₋₄alkenyl, C₂₋₄alkynyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, C₁₋₄alkylthio, C₁₋₄alkoxycarbonyl;

 R_4 is hydrogen, halogen, nitro, R_8 or Y_1R_8 ;

 Y_1 is -0-, -S-, -S(0)-, -S(0)₂-, -NR_a-, -NR_aC(0)NR_b-, -NR_aC(0)-, -C(0)NR_a-, -C(0)NR_a-, -C(0)-, -C(0)0-, -NR_aC(0)0-, -S(0)₂NR_a-, -NR_aS(0)₂-;

 R_a , R_b and R_c are the same or different, each representing hydrogen, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{2-4} alkenyl, C_{2-4} alkynyl, C_{3-8} carbocyclyl, C_{1-12} heterocyclyl or aryl, each of C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{2-4} alkenyl, C_{2-4} alkynyl, C_{3-8} carbocyclyl, C_{1-12} heterocyclyl or aryl being optionally substituted by one or more, same or different substituents represented by R_2 ;

 $R_8 \text{ is hydrogen, } C_{1\text{-}10} \text{alkyl-} C_{1\text{-}12} \text{heterocyclyl, } C_{1\text{-}10} \text{alkyl-} C_{3\text{-}12} \text{carbocyclyl, } C_{1\text{-}10} \text{alkyl-} C_{2\text{-}10} \text{alkynyl, } C_{2\text{-}10} \text{alkynyl, } C_{3\text{-}12} \text{carbocyclyl or } C_{1\text{-}12} \text{heterocyclyl, each of } C_{1\text{-}10} \text{alkyl-} C_{1\text{-}12} \text{heterocyclyl, } C_{1\text{-}10} \text{alkyl-} C_{3\text{-}12} \text{carbocyclyl, } C_{1\text{-}10} \text{alkyl, } C_{2\text{-}10} \text{alkynyl, } C_$

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 C_{3-12} carbocyclyl or C_{1-12} heterocyclyl being optionally substituted by one or more, same or different substituents represented by R_7 ; R_7 is halogen, hydroxy, mercapto, trifluoromethyl, amino, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkylamino, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl, C_{1-9}

trialkylammonium in association with an anion, cyano, azido, nitro, $-S(O)_2NH_2$, $-S(O)_2NR_aR_b$, $-S(O)_2R$, -COOH, $-CONH_2$, $-NR_aC(O)R'$, -CONHR' or -CONRR', wherein R and R' are same or different, each representing hydrogen or C_{1-3} alkyl;

one of R_5 and R_6 is -COOH, -C(O)NHOH, -C(O)NHNH₂, Y_2R_9 , $Y_2R_9Y_3R_{10}$, C_{1-6} alkyl- Y_2R_9 , C_{1-6} alkyl- Y_2R_9 , C_{1-6} alkyl- Y_2R_9 , C_{2-6} alkenyl- Y_2R_9 , C_{2-6} alkenyl- Y_2R_9 , C_{3-12} carbocyclyl- Y_2R_9 , C_{3-12} carbocyclyl- Y_2R_9 , C_{3-12} carbocyclyl- Y_2R_9 , Y_3R_{10} , Y_2R_9 - Y_2R_9 , Y_2R

with the proviso that when R_S or R_δ is phenyl, C_{1-S} alkyl or C_{2-3} alkenyl, said R_S or R_δ is substituted by one or more, same or different substituents represented by R_7 (except three fluorine when R_S or R_δ is methyl)

with the further proviso that when R_5 or R_6 is -COOH, Y_1 cannot be -NR₃-, -NR₃C(O)NR_b-, -NR₅C(O)- or -NR₃C(O)O-, and R₃ or R₄ cannot be nitro,

with the further proviso that when R_2 is hydrogen, one of R_5 or R_6 is not $\frac{1}{2}$ optionally substituted (C_3 - C_{18} heterocyclyl, C_{1-7} alkyl, C_{2-7} alkenyl, C_{2-7} alkynyl or C_{1-7} alkoxy);

 $\begin{array}{l} Y_2 \text{ is -0-, -S-, -S(O)-, -S(O)}_2\text{-, -NR}_3\text{-, -NR}_3\text{C(O)NR}_5\text{-, -NR}_2\text{C(O)-, -C(O)NR}_3\text{-, -} \\ C(O)NR_3O\text{-, -C(O)-, -NR}_3\text{C(O)O-, -NR}_5\text{S(O)}_2\text{-, -OC(O)-, -C(O)O-, -} \\ C(O)NR_3NR_5\text{C(S)NR}_6\text{-, -C(O)NR}_5\text{NR}_5\text{-, or -S(O)}_2\text{NR}_5\text{-;} \end{array}$

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 R_9 is C_{1-10} alkyl- C_{1-12} heterocyclyl, C_{1-10} alkyl- C_{3-12} carbocyclyl, C_{1-10} alkyl, C_{2-10} alkynyl, C_{3-12} carbocyclyl, C_{1-12} heterocyclyl, C_{3-12} carbocyclyl- C_{1-10} alkyl, or C_{1-12} heterocyclyl- C_{1-10} alkyl, C_{3-6} carbocyclyl- C_{1-6} alkenyl, C_{3-6} carbocyclyl- C_{2-6} alkynyl, each being optionally substituted by one or more, same or different substituents represented by R_7 ,

with the proviso that when Y_2 is -0-, $-NR_{\delta^+}$, -S- or -C(0)0-, and R_{δ} is $C_{1-\delta}$ alkyl, said $C_{1-\delta}$ alkyl is substituted by one or more, same or different substituents represented by R_7

 $Y_3 \text{ is -O-, -S-, -S(O)-, -S(O)}_2\text{-, -NR}_3\text{-, -NR}_3\text{C(O)NR}_5\text{-, -NR}_3\text{C(O)-, -C(O)NR}_3\text{-, -C(O)NR}_3\text{-, -NR}_3\text{C(O)-, -NR}_3\text{C(O)-, -NR}_3\text{C(O)-, -NR}_3\text{C(O)-, -NR}_3\text{-, -DC(O)- or -C(O)O-; }$

 R_{10} is C_{1-10} alkyi- C_{1-12} heterocyclyl, C_{1-10} alkyl- C_{3-12} carbocyclyl, C_{1-10} alkyl, C_{2-10} alkynyl, C_{3-12} carbocyclyl or C_{1-12} heterocyclyl, each being optionally substituted by one or more, same or different substituents represented by R_7 ;

or, when one of R_5 or R_6 is the group $-C(O)NR_aR_9$, R_a and R_9 together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a C_{1-12} heterocyclic ring optionally comprising one or more additional heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of O, S and N, optionally substituted with one or more substituents represented by R_7 ;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate, or ester thereof.

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